



Puerto Rican Educators Association, Inc.

Minutes of General Meeting

Date:

Time: 7:00

Place: Essex County

Meeting was called to order by President Carmen Perez. Carmen Figueroa read the minutes and they were approved as read. (Spelling error was to be corrected).

Old Business

President discussed the amendments to the constitution and reported that copies of the new constitution with the new amendments were available.

The following change still has to be made before going to press.

Page 4 (Board shall be composed of no more than 12)
Section 3 - 5 representatives at large should be changed to 7.
Section 4 - 14 instead of 11.

New Business

Committee Reports

Scholarship- Chairman not present. President reported the following as per written letter sent by Maria Rando.

(Committee says:) Committee work up to date.

- Notified Miller Browning but funds are not available.
- Car stereo donated for raffle.
- Artifacts from P.R. will be sold during Midland West activities.
- Letters of thanks will be sent as soon as possible.
- Committee has been working regularly.

As regards to the raffle, President has filed all forms and we are waiting for permit and license.

Public Relations

- At the last Board of Directors meeting it was decided that due to the fact that the Committee had not published "El Paso" the executive Board would take over this assignment.

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- Report from Iris Martinez-Arroyo, Office of Bilingual Education regarding activities to be held in honor of Bilingual Month.

Opening Ceremony	- March 28
Proclamation	- March 31
Spelling Bee	- March 30
Poster Contest	- March 30
Publishers Fair	- March 30
Celebrating Activities	- March 30 - (1:00 P.M.)

- President asked Miss Martinez for permission to sell lecture materials during the evening activity. Mrs. Martinez agreed.

April 21-22 - Danville Hotel, Atlantic City. Bilingual State Wide Conference.

PRBA requested to sponsor a Forum for Bilingual Parents, date to be announced in conjunction with bilingual week.

Political Action Committee

- Designs was not present and Mrs. Mitchell reported that P.A.C.A. was supporting Hector. Involvement was needed from group.

Activities have been planned and PRBA members are encouraged to attend.

Social Committee

- Report by Carmen Figueroa. Dinner Dance may be held June 3, 1983, at Don Pepe's Restaurant. Proceeds will go to scholarship fund.
- Suggestion was made that it is time to honor and recognize those efforts and commitment of our own.
- Discussion took place as to how this should be done.
- Final suggestion and consensus of group was that the education committee under Wilma Cypero, Chairperson, draw up a criteria that would reflect the ^{interest of the community} of the community.
- Two individuals would be selected, one from PRBA and one from Community at large.
- That the members review this criteria and submit in writing to the executive board their recommendations.
- The Executive Board would then review the nominations and meet to select the final candidates.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45.

Respectfully submitted,

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